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Pierre Gilbert, French Minister in Bangkok, is of the opinion that Bangkok is a key station in the Communist "pipeline" out of Southeast Asia into Moscow. His conviction is based, in part, on the way Viet Minh members come into Bangkok apparently to make reports and to receive instructions. He believes that the "pipeline" runs from Bangkok to Moscow via India rather than Communist China, although Chinese Communist agents in Bangkok probably work out of China. In his opinion Communist activity in Bangkok is run independently of the Soviet Legation which is occupied with a primarily overt program.

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